

Bulldog News

July 2021

Important Dates and Events:

- Yearbook Pick-Up or purchase from 8:30am-3:30 pm:
8/2- 8th grade; 8/3- 7th grade; 8/4- 6th grade.
Yearbooks can be purchased for \$42
- 8/12/21- Coffee with the Administrative Team

Time: Aug 12, 2021 09:00 AM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

[https://zoom.us/j/91460000725?
pwd=eWc3VFpPR3VlZrMjdyV3Y2TjQ4UT09](https://zoom.us/j/91460000725?pwd=eWc3VFpPR3VlZrMjdyV3Y2TjQ4UT09)

Meeting ID: 914 6000 0725 Passcode: 498Sw0

- 9/2/21- 6th Grade Orientation Night - @ 5:30pm (tour by NJHS) presentation at 6pm (see flyer below)
- 9/2/21- 7th grade and New Student Walk Through
9-9:30am Student Last Name: A-K
9:30-10am Student Last Name: L-Z
- 9/8/21- First day for 6th grade students
- 9/9/21- First day for 7th and 8th grade students
- 9/9/21- Back to School Night at 6pm

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If your child did not get their chrome book last school year, please call Southern Middle School to make an appointment to pick up a chrome book .
410-222-1659



Principal's Corner:

Happy Friday! Thank you for those who RSVP'ed for coffee with the principal on August, 12, 2021. Please try to let us know if you plan on attending and do not hesitate to ask any questions in advance. I understand that this time and date does not accommodate all families so please reach out directly to me this summer if you have any questions or feedback. I will continue to send out updates throughout the summer in preparation for our return. Enjoy your weekend!

Meet our New Assistant Principal, Mr. Lewis

DeMarcus Lewis is a native of Saint Louis, Missouri who comes from humble beginnings with a strong foundation of faith, core values, and a hard work ethic.

Mr. Lewis graduated Magna Cum Laude with a Bachelor of Science in Secondary Education Social Science from the historic Alabama A&M University (Huntsville, AL), School of Education in 2009. He earned his Master of Science in Curriculum and Instruction with an emphasis in Leadership from McDaniel College (Westminster, MD), Summa Cum Laude in 2016.

On Alabama A&M University's seal there is an anvil, book, crown, and a plow. The plow represents our University's motto, "*Service is Sovereignty*." Our charge is to find our field and plow using our gifts and talents making contributions through leadership in a 21st century national and global society. DeMarcus has had the privilege to teach, serve and lead students and teachers in public and private, suburban, and urban schools for over 10 years in Anne Arundel County Public Schools.

His passion and sincere concern for future generations quality of education continues to be a driving force. Serving as a voice for *all* students by creating spaces where equity and social emotional learning is at the center. His success will be determined by the many lives lend to touch working to improve the quality of education and the opportunity gap. Ultimately, living a life of impact and meaning with no regrets.

Mr. Lewis enjoys learning, traveling, and spending time with family and friends.



Supply List for AACPS 21-22: Southern Middle School Students

This is a basic supply list of recommended supplies. Students will be given more specific items by their teachers on the first day of school.

Students will be permitted to use bookbags this upcoming school year to ensure their chrome books in their cases and their chargers fit in their bag. Students will not be required to use a locker.

Chromebook cases will be distributed to all 7th and 8th graders as they did not receive them this past school year.

2 -2" binders (AVID students will be required to use one 2-inch binder with dividers for the core classes)

Plastic pocket folder for homework

8-tab dividers

Loose leaf wide-rule notebook paper – 1 pack

#2 pencils – 1 dozen

Highlighters – 2 different colors

Pencil supply pouch – zippered, 3-hole

3 spiral notebooks – single subject

All 6th grade math teachers use 2 Composition books

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1 Combination Lock if your student is requesting a locker. Lockers will be available by request this upcoming school year.

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Note: Individual teachers will let you know what other materials you will need for their classes on the first day of school.

If you need assistance with school supplies, please contact our counseling office.

410-222-1659

SOUTHERN MIDDLE SCHOOL:

6TH GRADE WALK THROUGH TOUR & ORIENTATION NIGHT!

SOUTHERN MIDDLE SCHOOL
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2021

*Walk Through Tour- **5:30PM** - Main Entrance

*6th Grade Orientation Presentation - **6:00PM**- Cafeteria

All attending must wear a mask

WELCOME TO SOUTHERN MIDDLE SCHOOL!

Please join us for our 6th Grade Orientation Night! There will be an optional self-guided walk through tour of SMS at 5:30PM prior to our Orientation Presentation.

During the Orientation information session, Administration and the School Counseling Office will discuss schedules, expectations, first day of school, school supplies, etc.

*Presentation will be streamed online for those unable to attend.

Log-in information coming soon!*



SOUTHERN MIDDLE SCHOOL:

7TH GRADE & NEW STUDENT WALK THROUGH TOUR!

SOUTHERN MIDDLE SCHOOL
MAIN ENTRANCE

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2021

***Student Last Name A-K 9:00-9:30AM**

***Student Last Name L-Z 9:30-10:00AM**

Please try to arrive during your time frame to help with traffic flow

All attending must wear a mask

WELCOME BACK TO SOUTHERN MIDDLE SCHOOL!

Please join us for an optional self-guided walk through tour of SMS!
We will have NJHS students and staff to help guide you through the building, so you are familiar with the layout prior to the first day! This tour will help provide a smooth transition for the new school year!

*A 7th/8th Grade Virtual Orientation Recording with information regarding the start of the 2021-22 school year will be emailed home and posted to Southern Middle's website mid-August!

Help Southern Middle School Fundraise

Please consider supporting Southern Middle School by participating in the Box Top fundraiser. You can download the Box Top Application on your phone and scan your receipts (if you bought products with the Box Tops logo). Please go to the following website for more information: <https://www.boxtops4education.com/>



Interested in Donating to Southern Middle School:

To donate to our schools "Donations" account

Go to our school website <https://www.aacps.org/Page/3933>

From there scroll down and on the right-hand side is the link for Online School Payments <https://osp.osmsinc.com/annearundel/>

Go to "middle school" then to "Southern Middle"

Click on "Donations" and donate any amount you would like

SCHOOL MEALS @ CURBSIDE

SERVING MEALS MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY

Beginning October 1st, AACPS is serving free breakfast, lunch, dinner, and a snack to children, ages 2–18.

There are no income restrictions.

Meals are available curbside from noon–12:30 p.m. at all schools—except for the schools listed below.

The closest meal sites for schools not serving meals:

School not serving meals	Closest meal site
Arundel Middle	@ Arundel High
Central Middle	@ South River High
Central Special	@ South River High
Chesapeake Bay Middle	@ Chesapeake High
Crofton High	@ Crofton Middle
Magothy River Middle	@ Severn River Middle
Marley Glen Special	@ Marley Elementary
Old Mill High	@ Old Mill Middle North
Old Mill Middle South	@ Old Mill Middle North
Ruth Eason Special	@ Old Mill Middle North
Southern Middle	@ Lothian Elementary

Students who attend a charter school can pick up meals at their nearest open meal site.

Chesapeake Science Point	} Available at your nearest Open Meal Site
Monarch Academy	
Monarch Annapolis	
Monarch Global	

Mobile Curbside Sites: Availability varies by location.

Annapolis	Lothian	South County
Annapolis Gardens 1845 Bowman Court 10:45–11:00 a.m.	Maryland Manor 1500 Berkley Court 10:50–11:05 a.m.	Lyons Creek Estates Lower Pindell Road & Lyons Den Drive 11:15–11:35 a.m.
Bywater Community 1901 Copeland Street 11:15–11:30 a.m.	Rio Vista 900 Margarita Street 11:20–11:35 a.m.	Boones Mobile Estates Sarah Ann Drive & Boone's Drive 11:55 a.m.–12:15 p.m.
Woodside Gardens 701 Newtown Drive 11:45 a.m.–12:00 p.m.	Patuxent Mobile 64 Patuxent Mobile Estate 11:45 a.m.–12:00 p.m.	
Hilltop Village 2 Heritage Ct. 12:15–12:30 p.m.	Wayson Woods 125 Main Street 12:15–12:30 p.m.	West County Pioneer City 8443 Pioneer Drive 11:00–11:15 a.m.
Congregation Kneseth Israel 1125 Spa Road 12:45–1:00 p.m.	North County Cedar Morris 351 Arundel Corporation Rd 11:00–11:15 a.m.	Spring Meadows 8311 Still Meadows Drive 11:20–11:35 a.m.
Admiral Farragut Boxwood Road & Boxwood Ct. 1:15–1:30 p.m.	The Willows Apartments Warwickshire Lane & Harris Heights Avenue 11:30–11:45 a.m.	Still Meadows 8201 Averill Court 11:40–11:55 a.m.
	Heritage Hill Community Continental Drive & Heritage Hill Drive 12:00–12:15 p.m.	Meade Village 1710 Meade Village Circle 12:00–12:15 p.m.
	Pumphrey Center 5757 Belle Grove Road 12:35–12:50 p.m.	



School Meal Prices SY 2021-2022

All school meals (breakfast and lunch) are free to all students effective September 8, 2021, through the last day of school in June 2022.

Meal Benefit Applications are still required by the State and will be made available beginning August 2021. Although meals are free, we are required to collect Meal Benefit Applications for programming and funding. To complete a Meal Benefit Application for SY 2021-2022, log onto

<https://aacpsschools.org/nutrition/apply-for-free-or-reduced-price-meals/>

If you have any questions regarding the school meals program, please email jrisse@aacps.org or call 410-222-5900.

